

United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel of the Tenth Circuit

Notice of Bankruptcy Bar Presentation¹

Monday, August 11, 2008
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., First Floor Jury Room, Room 180
United States Courthouse, 500 State Avenue
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

On Monday, August 11, 2008, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Judge Thurman, District of Utah, Judge Rasure, Northern District of Oklahoma, and Judge Romero,² District of Colorado, will be conducting an open forum presentation for the Kansas bankruptcy bar. Topics for discussion will include motion practice before the BAP, including motions for stay and emergency motions; direct appeals to the Tenth Circuit under BAPCA; what is appealable and standards of review; the election process and possible reasons for selecting one appellate court over another; briefing, including the difference between a good brief and a great brief; submission to a panel (to request oral argument or not); and oral argument: how to make the most of your allotted 15 minutes. Other topics may be introduced by the BAP Judges, or may be a result of specific questions from the bankruptcy bar.

The BAP was created by a Resolution of the Judicial Council of the Tenth Circuit for an initial three-year period beginning July 1, 1996. On March 8, 1999, the Judicial Council of the Tenth Circuit voted to authorize the permanent establishment of the BAP in the Tenth Circuit. All districts in the Tenth Circuit have authorized participation in the BAP. The BAP is composed of nine active bankruptcy judges appointed by the Chief Judge of the Tenth Circuit. A BAP Judge may not hear an appeal originating from his or her own district.

The office of the Clerk of the BAP is located in Denver, Colorado. More information regarding the BAP may be obtained from the BAP's web site at www.bap10.uscourts.gov, by email to 10th_Circuit_BAP@ca10.uscourts.gov, or by calling the BAP Clerk's Office at (303) 335-2900.

For questions regarding this presentation contact Larry Pittman at (913) 789-9400 or Barb Schermerhorn, BAP Clerk at (303) 335-2900.

¹ Two hours of CLE credit expected.

² Honorable Michael E. Romero, United States Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Colorado, sitting by designation.